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Youth League must wait

The Australian Soccer Federation is not in favor of a PSL Youth League to be launched in 1980.

Secretary Brian Le Fevre declined to attend a Sydney meeting earlier this week to discuss the proposal.

The meeting was called at the APIA club by the five Sydney PSL clubs.

"I'm not against the idea itself but I feel it's very premature," Brian Le Fevre said.

"I think the clubs should have done a lot more spadework.

"I don't think it's right for me to attend a meeting at which an idea is merely tossed around.

"Once the clubs have worked out a detailed proposal, they can submit it to the ASF.

"Anyway, this issue is rather political and the clubs should wait until Sir Arthur George re-



ASF Secretary Brian Le Fevre.

turns to Australia early July before making any plans."

Le Fevre said he doubted whether quite a number of interstate clubs could bankroll such a Youth League.

Several of them owe the PSL substantial amounts and would have trouble raising the necessary \$15,000 or so extra cash.

"I also question the validity of statements that it costs PSL clubs up to \$30,000 to run their reserve teams," he said.

"But if it does — so will the Youth League.

"What if the airfares go up again and again? If a PSL club

goes broke and can't pay TAA, the ASF is responsible for the debt.

"Do we want to increase the financial risk of the PSL any further?"

Le Fevre said the present move by the five PSL clubs was likely to further cool the relationship with the NSW Federation.

"I don't think the climate is right for such an enterprise," he said.

"We should fix up all the loose ends between the PSL and some State Federations before we jump into a new venture.

"Besides, I don't think most State Federations would agree to this proposal in the first place.

"And if they don't, the ASF cannot sanction it."

The Sydney meeting took place after we went to press.



Canberra's goalie Steve Hoszowski making one of his many fine saves last Sunday, frustrating Sydney City's strikers — and supporters.

Partizan arrives

Partizan Belgrade will arrive from Europe to Melbourne on Saturday, June 23 on flight QF 16.

The 1978 Yugoslav champions will play their first match in Melbourne the following day against Victoria at Olympic Park.

On Wednesday, June 27, they will play South Australia at Hindmarsh

and on Friday, June 29, they will meet an Australian XI at Newcastle.

The climax of their tour will be the match in Sydney against an Australian XI on Sunday, July 1 at the Sports Ground.

Partizan Belgrade will come with their full squad which includes several

former and current Yugoslav internationals.

Only last week Yugoslavia beat Italy 4-1 in one of the upsets of the year, indicating a dramatic revival in their soccer.

• Watch for a special on Partizan in next week's "Soccer World".

MARCONI COLLAPSE

Well, Marconi did it again: just like in 1978 at this stage of the competition, they crashed 0-4 to Heidelberg.

Their seemingly commanding four-point lead has been reduced to one, following Adelaide City's amazing goal-orgy in Brisbane which netted them an extra "Gutendorf point".

The bonus point system is certain to play havoc with the title race — and the relegation issue.

In the end it could be these extra points which determine some teams' fortunes.

At the bottom, South Melbourne have joined St. George in their isolation.

With Footscray collecting two valuable points, the present three relegation candidates must be Lions, South Melbourne and the Saints.

It's interesting to note that without the "Gutendorf points," Adelaide City would be first on the table from APIA.

APIA's remarkable run now stretches back to the fourth round when they last were beaten; since then they have won seven and drawn two matches and climbed from 13th to 4th place.

Goodbye Olympics

The Olympic arm-twisting contest is over: Australia's soccer team is almost certainly ineligible to take part in the preliminary tournament.

ASF secretary Brian Le Fevre and national coach Rudi Gutendorf both talked to Australian Olympic Federation secretary Julius Patching last weekend.

The upshot is that, in the eyes of the arch-conservative AOF, even our under-19 representative players are professionals.

"I can't see how we could field a team unless we went down to the NSW 5th division for players," Le Fevre said.

"And such a team would lose 10-0 or worse to Taiwan, not to mention stronger opponents.

"Surely that wouldn't serve any purpose at all."

One compromise would be to allow Australia to field the under-19 national team in the two games against Taiwan.

However, the AOF would retain the right to re-examine the status of all players after the matches and even if we did qualify for the next round, the entire team could be declared ineligible for further matches.

Gutendorf may accept this compromise just to give the youngsters more match practice — but we can't see much point in it unless the AOF is prepared to accept this team as a bona fide Olympic side and allow it to go, if warranted, right through to the finals in Moscow in 1980.

It seems that officials of several amateur sporting organisations put the knife into soccer with the AOF.

Gutendorf is disappointed, the ASF is disappointed and so will be the players.

But they'll get over it. The best is if we don't fritter away our very meagre resources on such dubious ventures but concentrate on projects like the 1981 FIFA/Coca Cola Youth Cup and the 1982 World Cup.



The Australian Soccer
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ST. GEORGE 2 (1)

OLYMPIC 0

Goals: 1-0 Cotton (13m), 2-0 Morgan (75m).

ST. GEORGE: Fraser 3, Harris 4, Utjesenovic 3, Della Picca 4, R. O'Shea 3, Katholas 3, (Morgan 55m), Gnani 4, J. O'Shea 4, Kay 3, (Grosse 69m), Cotton 5, Mihajlovic 2. Coach: R. Blanco.

OLYMPIC: Meier 3, McIntosh 3, Cross 2, Bell 4, Wilson 3, Rowden 4, Laing (Ainslie 37, 3), Raskopoulos 3, Scott 2 (Poulos 68m), Eaton 2, Jennings 4. Coach: J. Marston.

Referee: R. Lorenc. Crowd: 3874. Caution: McIntosh.

St. George knew that the fight for survival was on in earnest before the match, and the determination with which Saints approached the game showed this clearly.

The defence was superb, with Harris and Rob O'Shea working hard, tackling quickly and cleanly, Della Picca playing a great stopper's game, and Utjesenovic having a comfortable afternoon as sweeper.

Saint's great 'plus' over Olympic was that their midfield-forward line combination worked better together.

Gnani and Cotton had a great understanding, with Cotton in his 'Ampol Cup' form, and Gnani in a more positive mood.

Olympic forward line looked lost against the firm Saints backline, with neither Eaton nor Scott causing any damage at all.

Raskopoulos wasn't his usual dominant self, but Jennings was the chief prompter, with some superb runs, shrugging off tacklers.

Cotton's goal was a gem, collecting a through ball, before sidestepping a defender and then placing the ball inside the post.

The clincher came from a Gnani-Cotton inspired move, with Gnani's low cross being flicked home by the outstretched leg of Neville Morgan. —S. Dettre

FOOTSCRAY 2 (0)

NEWCASTLE 0

Goals: 1-0 Ilioski (80m), 2-0 Picioane (87 m).

FOOTSCRAY: Potter 3, Ilioski 4, Ristic 3, Jovicic 4, Kondarios 5, Lujic 4, Palinkas 3, Ruljevic 3, Picioane 4, Ollerton 4, Ristovski 3. Coach: R. McLachlan.

NEWCASTLE: Preston 4, Willis 3, Curran 3, Sneddon 4, Cowburn 3, Drinkwater 5, Bertogna 3, McClelland 4, Boden 3, Keelan 4, Tredinnick 4. Coach: A. Vest.

Referee: S. Melings (Vic). Crowd: 600. Caution: Ollerton.

Newcastle started off confidently in the first 10 minutes while Ollerton looked sharp in his new midfield role for Footscray.

Keelan and McClelland were the early danger men for Newcastle with Keelan missing a sitter in the 8th minute.

Kondarios could have scored with a header then Ollerton sent a piledriver on the half hour, which Preston held well.

Newcastle had a good first half, assisted by a strong wind, with Drinkwater starring in the midfield.

Ollerton drew a caution for a foul on Boden who was remarkably quiet.

Newcastle missed some more chances before a sudden raid put Ilioski through to score in the 80th minute.

Picioane picked up a loose ball and slammed home the second seven minutes later to seal the fate of the game.

The understanding between Kondarios and Ollerton was the main factor in Footscray's win.

Referee Melings gave a fine exhibition throughout the 90 minutes and it's unlikely that the visitors could complain about his display. —J. Stephen

MARCONI 0

HEIDELBERG 4 (0)

Goals: 0-1 Yzendoorn (65m), 0-2 Paton (66m), 0-3 Cole (70m), 0-4 Cole (73m).

MARCONI: Maher 3, Berry 3, Degney 3, Russell 3, Prskalo 4, Henderson 3, Byrne 3, Lindsay 3, Jankovics 3, Krncevic 4, Sharne 3. Coach: L. Scheinflug.

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 5, Yzendoorn 4, Tansey 4, Bannan 4, Provan 5, Rooney 4, Taylor 4, Campbell 5, Boziskas 3 (Paton 46m 4), Cole 4, Buljevic 4. Coach: M. Poulakakis.

Referee: D. Miles (Brisbane). Crowd: 4362. Caution: Rooney.

After their fine draw with Sydney City the previous week, it was always likely that Heidelberg would trouble the leaders.

It would have been hard to foresee, however, that at the same stage of the competition but 12 months later, they would beat Marconi by the same 4-0 margin and cut their leadership margin so drastically.

There was little between the teams for 64 minutes, but the glorious way in which Jim Campbell turned it on for the sprinting John Yzendoorn leading to the first goal was an indication of things to come.

No sooner had the former Preston North End player scored than replacement Jamie Paton nipped in to convert Branko Bijeljevic's pass into a goal and a win was certain.

This was what the Melbourne side had been looking for, and Gary Cole emphasised his prowess by netting twice — four goals in eight minutes against a Marconi defence that was well beaten for speed.

Marconi's downfall started with a below par display from the midfield of Byrne, Henderson and Lindsay.

Of their six Socceroos who played in Auckland on Wednesday night only young Krncevic was really worth his salt on the day. —K. Gilmour

SYD CITY 2 (0)

CANBERRA 1 (1)

Goals: 0-1 Byrne (40m), 1-1 Watson (67m), 2-1 Barnes (84m).

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 4, Mulien 2 (Campbell 46m), Trenter 3, O'Connor 4, Bruce 3, Stevenson 3, Watson 4, Barnes 3, Souness 4, Smith 4, Silva 3 (Kershaw 66m). Coach: G. Chaldi.

CANBERRA: Hoszowski 4, Moulis 3, Milovanovic 3, Farrell 4, Cant 3, Brown 4, Callaghan 3, Gruicic 3, (Fielding 86m), Bryne 3, Davies 3, Kawalewa 3. Coach: V. Fernandez.

Referee: T. Davies. Crowd: 2378.

Canberra took the lead against the run of play, when Byrne scored from a cross by Cant.

Sydney had a great chance to equalise in the 62nd minute when Stevenson was fouled in the box; Stevenson himself took the penalty only to see Hoszowski make a fine save.

However, Sydney City drew on level terms five minutes later when Watson scored from a pass by Trenter.

The winner came six minutes from fulltime when Barnes netted from a close range.

Sydney should have held a commanding lead by halftime but missed half a dozen good chances, any one of which could have registered a goal.

The most glaring miss came in the 25th minute when Watson shot wide whereas he only had to tap the ball into an empty net.

Sydney City also found Hoszowski in fine form, making many excellent saves.

Former Liverpool star Ian Callaghan showed his class at times but was generally very quiet and certainly far from dominant.

O'Connor, Watson and Souness stood out for Sydney City while for Canberra Hoszowski, Brown and Farrell were the stars. —E. De Mesquita

WESTAD 2 (0)

BRIS CITY 1 (1)

Goals: 0-1 Coyne (4m), 1-1 Kosmina (63m), 2-1 Kambas (83m penalty).

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 4, Bozanic 4, Reynolds 4, Tymczyszyn 4, Kambas 5, Jones 5, Boyle 4, Kosmina 4, Norris 4, Honeyman 4, McGregor 3 (Zervas 46m). Coach: T. Forde.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 4, Tokesi 4, Perry 5, Gaffney 4, Campbell 4 (Low 83m), Pimblett 4, Caldwell 3 (Connor 72m), Kelso 4, Coyne 4, Wilkinson 4, Potter 4. Coach: N. Saffich.

Referee: G. Neal. Crowd: 4,406. Sent off: Zervas. Cautions: Kosmina, Honeyman, Perry, Pimblett.

This bruising battle for points was more like a Spanish bull-fight than a soccer match.

The incident-cramped affair was bitterly contested and contained more venom than the much discussed Westad versus Adelaide City local derby of the previous week.

Referee Graham Neal sent off West's substitute striker Alex Zervas 13 minutes from full-time and cautioned Kosmina and Graham Honeyman (West) and Frank Pimblett and Steve Perry from Brisbane City.

West defenders Kambas and David Jones both suffered head injuries and resembled war-like Apache Indians when they came out for the second half wearing head bandages.

Ugly incidents when the players left the field at the half time break and at full-time, added to the drama on the field.

Brisbane City officials claimed after the game that a West player had punched goalkeeper Kim Wishart and also kicked substitute Kevin Low in the groin.

Low received attention from the City trainer before being helped into the dressing room.

All in all, an ugly confrontation in which Soccer took a poor second place. —A. Crisp

BRISB. LIONS 0

ADEL. CITY 6 (2)

Goals: 0-1 Vilani (29m) 0-2 J. Nyskohus (44m), 0-3 J. Nyskohus (49m) 0-4 Vilani (61m) 0-5 Kent (71m) 0-6 Dods (79m).

BRISBANE LIONS: Lownds 2, Hermiston 4, Lowrie 2, Bennett 2, Niven 3 (Fairbrother 49m), Ontong 2, Russell 2, (Spearitt 46m) Wilson 2, Laslo 2, Millman 2, Brennan 3. Coach: M. Carson.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 4, Russell 4, B. Nyskohus 4, Besir 4, Dods 4, Muniz 4, Perin 4, Vilani 4, Kent 4, J. Nyskohus 5, Northcote 5. Coach: R. Rasic.

Referee: H. Witschge (NSW). Crowd: 1450. Cautions: Brennan, Dods, Fairbrother.

Lions matched the visitors in the sizing up period only and then the roof caved in with the best Adelaide City team seen in Brisbane totally outplaying, outwitting and outrunning the locals.

Strangely though, the rout began with two gift goals. For the first, Lions made a horrible botch of a clearance, passing straight to Vilani who coolly chipped the ball in from 20 metres.

Then John Nyskohus, mobile and sharp, found himself with the ball all alone in front of the goal — and it was 2-0.

Nyskohus killed off any hope of a Spearitt-based revival attempt when four minutes after the interval he again found acres of space at the far post to tap home the ball.

Adelaide City now began to play some really classy stuff and Northcote dashed away on the right, drawing the defence, before laying on a perfect pass to Vilani to hammer home No. 4.

Kent ran some 30 metres on the right, unchallenged, before crashing in a 20-metre left foot drive and then Dods, not to be outdone, repeated the dose from the left.

Mercifully, that was the end of the scoring. —J. Binnie

STH MELB 1 (1)

APIA 2 (1)

Goals: 0-1 Butler (18m), 1-1 Lutton (42m), 1-2 Pye (o.g., 84m).

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Hansen 3, Pye 4, Davidson 5, Munro 4, Baxter 4, Wright 5, Drakeford 3 (Cumplings 64m), Christopoulos 3, Lutton 4, Evans 3, Lutton 4. Coach: D. McKay.

APIA: Woodhouse 5, McGinn 3, Pullen 4, Carruthers 3, Wilson 5, Dempsey 3, Rampanti (Reed 3, 19m), Butler 5, Roberts 5, Stone 3, O'Donnell 3. Coach: R. Richards.

Referee: D. Campbell (SA). Crowd: 6500. Cautions: Carruthers, O'Donnell, Evans.

This was no game for the faint-hearted with Roberts the outstanding figure in the game for APIA.

Early in the piece he skirted the South defence with a superb run and a dummy to lay on an easy goal for Butler.

Rampanti, probably injured, was replaced by Reed shortly after and Souths stormed into the attack.

But for the brilliant performance of Woodhouse, APIA could have easily ended up as losers.

Midfield play held sway until Lutton unleashed a beauty which was deflected past Woodhouse just before halftime.

After resumption Souths were in command for most of the second half with APIA's only answer being a tough, uncompromising defence.

Davidson excelled in this half, emerging as a likely candidate for Spain, together with Woodhouse, if Australia qualifies.

Just when everybody thought a draw would be a fair result, a hard drive by Stone from the right was deflected by Pye into his own goal.

Campbell tried to salvage a point at the end but Woodhouse once again saved his team.

PSL NEWS . . . PSL NEWS . . . PSL NEWS . . . PSL NEWS . . . PSL NEWS

• Ethnic TV (ABN Channel 2) will show a film portrait of Olympic goalkeeper Gary Meier on Sunday morning with action from last weekend's game.

• St. George will be without Martin Coe for about six weeks (mumps), Phil O'Connor for three weeks (chipped ankle bone), Stefan Matic and Peter Hensman for one or two more weeks.

• St. George coach Raul Blanco says that once new signing Tom Mihajlovic gets used to the pace and atmosphere of the PSL, he will be a great asset to the team. "Don't forget that for the last two years he either didn't play at all or played for a struggling Yugal," he claims.

• Another innovation by St. George: officials, players and supporters can now buy an attractive red pullover with the club's emblem.

• It's all very hush-hush but St. George hope to sign later this week one of the top State League strikers.

• Olympic's strapping Dave McIntosh is out for the weekend match: he has collected 13 penalty points and must spend a week's suspension.

• Marconi officials blamed their huge home defeat on the fatigue of several players who were in the Australian team losing to New Zealand midweek.

• All soccer fans will be welcomed at the Hakoah Club on Monday night June 25 at 7.30pm. Along with Hakoah and Sydney City club members they will be able to discuss matters with national coach Rudi Gutendorf — the na-

tional team and Spain in 1982 will be top priority topics. The club is situated at 61 Hall St, Bondi.

• A special soccer seminar for teachers and coaches will be held at Waverley College on Monday/Tuesday June 25/26 at 4pm. Those interested can contact the sportsmaster, Brother Thornber, at the College, or just turn up at the appointed time.

• Last Thursday 50 teachers attended a seminar and a dinner at the Hakoah Club. At the same venue referees' lecturer Jack Scarborough will hold a referees' course at 6pm on Wednesdays. More details can be obtained by phoning the club on 30 3344.

• A little more homework was required for the Sydney City-Canberra City match promotion!

The return of Harry Williams to the ACT side for the Sydney match was advertised in the same breath as Ian Callaghan's first appearance in Sydney. However, a check with Canberra coach Vic Fernandez would have indicated that Harry at no time was even in the squad.

• Ian Seddon, the player with that bit extra that made Newcastle the early leaders, may have an op-

eration on his Achilles tendon. He has been under a specialist for a month, and if the treatment does not finally work, then it is into hospital for the valuable midfielder.

• Newcastle assistant manager Frank Campbell says Graham Heys might be back this week. "The cut shin he collected against Marconi opened up, and this has delayed his return," Campbell said.

A.C.T. SPAWNS NEW LEAGUE

The gradual move towards soccer as public entertainment in major cities and towns will come under the microscope with the ACT Soccer Federation's proposal for a "South Eastern Soccer League".

There is no certainty that the scheme will get approval at this stage, but as in Queensland, Northern NSW and Tasmania, the move will surely snowball.

ACT is seeking the co-operation of the Australian and NSW Federations as well as the Illawarra Soccer Association in agreeing to a 10 or 12 team league taking in the ACT, Illawarra and the Southern Tablelands.

The ACT believes that soccer will boom throughout South-Eastern NSW to Canberra, Queanbeyan, Goulburn, Nowra and Wollongong link up in a major spectator-oriented league.

"Goulburn Workers club will pour money into soccer if they are guaranteed a top class competition in which they can play," ACT official Dr Rod Jory said this week.

"We know what big potential Nowra and the Shoalhaven have, and in every case the juniors and all-age players will have something to reach up to."

Croatia-Deakin, West Woden Juventus, Downer Olympic and perhaps Canberra City Roos would be the main ACT applicants.

—K.G.

PHILIPS LEAGUE TABLE

		AGGREGATE											HOME											AWAY										
		P	W	D	L	F	A	P	B	T	P	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P	P	P	P	P	P	W	D	L	F	A	P				
1	(1) MARCONI	13	7	3	3	32	18	17	3	20	23	7	3	2	2	17	14	8	6	4	1	1	15	4	9	7	5	1	1	19	8	11		
2	(3) ADELAIDE CITY	13	8	2	3	26	14	18	1	19	20	6	3	1	2	7	6	7	6	5	1	—	13	4	11	6	5	1	—	10	6	11		
3	(2) SYDNEY CITY	13	8	1	4	28	19	17	1	18	19	7	3	—	4	15	15	6	7	7	5	1	1	10	6	11	7	5	1	1	10	6	11	
4	(4) APIA	13	8	2	3	17	13	18	—	18	13	6	3	3	1	2	7	7	7	7	3	1	3	11	8	7	7	3	1	3	11	8	7	
5	(8) HEIDELBERG	13	5	4	4	19	14	14	1	15	15	6	2	3	1	8	6	7	7	7	2	2	3	11	14	6	7	2	2	3	11	14	6	
6	(5) BRISB. CITY	13	6	2	5	20	17	14	1	15	15	6	4	—	2	9	3	8	8	6	2	1	3	5	10	5	6	2	1	3	5	10	5	
7	(7) WEST ADELAIDE	13	6	2	5	17	16	14	1	15	15	6	4	1	2	12	6	9	9	7	2	2	3	9	11	6	7	2	2	3	9	11	6	
8	(6) NEWCASTLE	13	6	2	5	22	17	14	—	14	15	6	4	—	2	13	6	8	8	7	2	2	3	9	11	6	7	2	2	3	9	11	6	
9	(9) CANBERRA	13	4	4	5	15	16	12	—	12	15	6	1	2	3	5	9	4	4	7	3	2	2	10	7	8	7	3	2	2	10	7	8	
10	(12) FOOTSCRAY	13	5	1	7	16	25	11	—	11	15	7	3	1	3	9	12	7	7	7	3	—	4	11	11	6	7	3	—	4	11	11	6	
10	(9) OLYMPIC	13	5	—	8	16	19	10	—	10	15	6	2	—	4	5	8	4	4	7	3	—	4	11	11	6	6	3	—	3	6	7	6	
12	(10) BRISB. LIONS	13	5	—	8	16	23	10	—	10	15	7	2	—	5	10	16	4	4	7	3	—	4	11	11	6	6	3	—	3	6	7	6	
13	(13) STH. MELB.	13	3	1	9	11	27	7	—	7	15	7	2	1	4	9	12	5	5	7	3	—	5	6	15	2	6	1	—	5	6	15	2	
14	(14) ST. GEORGE	13	3	—	10	13	30	6	—	6	15	7	2	—	5	7	15	4	4	7	3	—	5	6	15	2	6	1	—	5	6	15	2	

BP: Bonus points for wins by 4 goals or more.
TP: Total points.



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TOP PSL SCORERS

JANKOVICS (Marconi)	11
SMITH (Syd. City)	9
DEANS (Ade. City)	7
BRENNAN (Lions)	6
DRINKWATER (N'castle)	6
LOW (Bris. City)	6
KRNCEVIC (Marconi)	6
PICIOANE (Footscray)	6
WATSON (Syd. City)	6

Auckland setback

Australia's 1-0 defeat to New Zealand in Auckland last week is regarded as a temporary setback by coach Rudi Gutendorf.

"Our non-professional players just couldn't stand up to the demands of two matches in four days plus travel," he said.

"Also the ground conditions were atrocious: half the pitch was under water."

"In recent months none of our players had a taste of such grounds while in New Zealand, I believe, it's not unusual."

This was the Australian team in Auckland: Woodhouse, S. O'Connor, Curran (J. O'Shea), Wilson, Degney (Muniz), Byrne, Henderson, Jankovics (Kosmina), Watson, Krncevic, Shame.

• Footscray's small crowd on Sunday at Olympic Park No. 1 was due to the match of the year between State League clubs Preston and Essendon at No. 2 next door — this drew 5300 spectators. Footscray president Tony Kovac was critical of the arrangements and claimed that many people entered at the wrong gate for the wrong match.

THE WEEK THAT WAS

• Joe Marston, Olympic: "It's very simple: one team wanted to win, the other didn't. We were flat and lethargic. There will be certainly some changes in the team."

• Gerry Chaldi, Sydney City: "We played poorly but still won the points. In the first half we could have wrapped up the game easily if we hadn't wasted so many chances."

• Raul Blanco, St. George: "For 70 minutes we fought well but tensely, in the last 20 minutes we played intelligently. I'm sure that we have started our upward climb. One or two more wins in succession would restore the team's confidence."

• Disconsolate Greek fans — about 50 — staged a hostile demonstration last week after their team's defeat at Barton Stadium, hurling abuse at coach Joe Marston. One official who tried to pacify them had his jumper torn off.

• Says Joe Marston: "I have been reformed in my position as coach; my contract runs till the end of 1980. The club has told me they had no intention of engaging Billy Bingham."

• "Maybe we will have Eddie Thomson back in the defence this week. It would have been senseless to risk him when his thigh was still giving trouble, because there are many vital games ahead," said Sydney City's Gerry Chaldi.

• "Ian Callaghan is a great man to have, but we have to blend him into the side. He hits some long balls, and our strikers can't get on the end of them," said Canberra City's dynamic coach, Vic Fernandez.

• Harry Williams was in Sydney last weekend, but he was not in the Canberra City squad. According to Vic Fernandez he will take a while yet to battle his way back to match fitness.

• Tom Mihajlovic, who had an offer to join Adelaide City when Rale Rasic first took over the club, finally made the Philips League with St. George. It will be interesting to see if coach Raul Blanco can bring the best out of him. There are few better players in NSW at taking on an opponent. To be the success that his skills demand, Tom will have to fit in hand and glove with the rest of the team.

• A real estate company has come in behind Marconi with \$3,000 in players' awards. The topscorer takes \$1,000, the best midfielder or forward \$1,000, and the best defender including the goalkeeper, \$1,000.

• The Sydney PSL clubs have arranged for some spot advertisements on Radio 2UE. On Saturdays between 11am and noon PSL manager John Frank supplies a five-minute preview of the PSL matches. On Sunday about 5.30pm the results are broadcast, and on weekday afternoon drive-time Grant Goldman often comments on the code.

• Mr Juicy has stepped into line at APLA-Leichhardt's game against Brisbane City at Wentworth Park on Sunday. He will present a sample of his famous juice to every person going through the gate.

• We know how terribly dangerous it is to make rash forecasts about soccer — others are finding it out now. In last weekend's Marconi match program coach Les Scheinflug's story is headed by the line: "Things are going well." Well, not too well: they crashed 0-4. In the same issue colleague David Jack asked: "Who can stop this super side?" Heidelberg did. Then we went on pondering the PSL chances: "... Adelaide City, despite their skilful football, rarely get a lot of goals..." They got six last Sunday. And in Brisbane, too.

• Heidelberg coach Manny Poulakakis, after picking up six points including one bonus at Marconi's expense on Sunday, from three matches since taking over the team: "I think the team is a better one than their previous points tally showed. The players are due for congratulations for the performance they gave today."

• Vanquished coach Les Scheinflug, after the 0-4 loss: "I must congratulate Heidelberg for the tremendous way they came at us in the second half. At that stage the game was in the balance, and the first goal either way was likely to decide the issue."

• Alan Vest, Newcastle: "I think we played the better stuff in the first half. However, Footscray came on very strongly towards the end."

• Bobby MacLachlan, Footscray: "We had played better against APIA, yet lost while now we won; it's one of those inexplicables of soccer."



Ian Souness of Sydney City (left) racing away from his Canberra opponent, ex-Liverpool star Ian Callaghan. By a twist of irony, Ian's namesake, Graeme Souness took Callaghan's long held place in the Liverpool side.

Adelaide

— From Vic Migliaccio —

On June 10, State coach Edmund Kreft announced his squad of 20 players to meet crack first division Yugoslav team Partizan on June 27 at Hindmarsh Stadium. The squad: Adelaide City — Peter Marshall, Brian Northcote, Bobby Russell, John Nyskohus, Dixie Deans, West Adelaide — Martyn Crook, David Jones, Victor Bozanic, Peter Boyle, John Kosmina, Polonia — Howie Jacques, Henry Koilecki, Peter Stanszak, Azzurri — Vic Smythe, Peter Kowalski, Lion — Steve Gaggiano, Peter Nyskohus; Campbelltown — Zoran Maricic, Cumberland — David Leane. Kreft has selected 10 Rothmans League players and left out top name players like Johnny Perin, Bugsy Nyskohus, Barry Reynolds, Agenor Muniz and Ian McGregor who in the past two seasons have been automatic selections. At last Wednesday night's training session they played Para Hills and won 3-2. Dixie Deans attended but could not play because of injuries. Azzurri pair, Smyth and Kowalski did not attend.

A second half goal from Claudio Cadenaro gave Polonia a 1-0 win over Campbelltown City in one of the five matches played last Saturday in the first division Rothmans League. The small crowd had very few thrilling moments to cheer about. It was a poor standard game with both teams looking like relegation material. The goal came in the 84th minute when Cadenaro let fly a 25-meter cannot shot that gave City keeper Basil Scarcella no chance. Campbelltown should have scored only seconds earlier when Charlie Tumbridge's shot hit the post. Best for Polonia: Dibartolo, H. Kolecki, M. Kolecki.

Campbelltown: Russo, Maricic, Ammirato.

Other scores: Azzurri 3 Victoria 9, Cumberland 0, Croatia 0, Beograd 1, Lion 0, Elizabeth 0, Para Hills 0.

Second Division: Adelaide City 1, Salisbury 0, Port 2, Orange 0, Modbury 1, West Field 1, Noalunga 4, Windsor 2, West Torrens 4, Don 1.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM OF PHILIPS SOCCER LEAGUE



THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

N'castle v West Adel. 2.30pm Inter. Sp. Centre

SUNDAY, JUNE 24

Canberra v St. George 1-1 3pm, Bruce Stadium
APIA v Bris. City 2-2 3pm, Wentworth Park
Bris. Lions v Marconi 0-4 3pm, Perry Park
Adel. City v Syd. City 1-1 2.30pm Olympic Field
Olympic v Sth. Melb. 1-1 3pm, Pratten Park
Heidelberg v Footscray Deferred

NEXT WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 1

South Melb. v Newcastle 3pm, Middle Park
Footscray v Olympic 3pm, Olympic Park
West Adel. v APIA 2.30pm, Hindmarsh
Bris. City v Adel City 2.30pm, Perry Park
N.B.: The Sydney matches have been deferred because of the Partizan match on that day.

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Sunday, June 24: JOHNATHON BAKER with the APIA ballet — THE BERGS.

Tuesday, June 26: Disco — ground floor.

SCOREBOARD

PSL	WEST ADELAIDE	SYDNEY CITY	S. MELBOURNE	MARCONI	HEIDELBERG	BRIS. LIONS	ST GEORGE	OLYMPIC	APIA	ADELAIDE CITY	NEWCASTLE	FOOTSCRAY	CANBERRA	BRISBANE CITY
WEST ADELAIDE	★		1-2	1-0	1-0					1-2	1-1	5-0		2-1
SYDNEY CITY	3-0	★	0-4					3-4	2-3	2-3		3-0	2-1	
S. MELBOURNE	3-4	1-2	★				2-0	0-3	1-2	1-0			1-1	
MARCONI			6-0	★	0-4	0-1	2-1			4-4	2-1			3-3
HEIDELBERG		2-2	3-0		★		1-0				2-4		0-0	0-0
BRIS. LIONS		1-2	2-0		1-3	★	2-3			0-6	3-0			1-2
ST GEORGE	2-0	0-5					★	2-0	1-2	0-2		0-2	2-4	
OLYMPIC	2-0			0-3	1-2	0-1		★	0-2			2-0		
APIA	0-1			0-0	1-0	2-1			★		1-3	3-2		
ADELAIDE CITY					2-0			1-0	0-1	★	0-0		2-1	2-4
NEWCASTLE		0-1	3-0				4-2	2-0			★		0-2	4-1
FOOTSCRAY			0-2	0-5	2-2	3-1				0-2	2-0	★		2-0
CANBERRA	0-0			3-1		1-2		1-3	0-0			0-3	★	
BRISBANE CITY		0-1	1-0				4-0	2-1	2-0				0-1	★

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Bingham says money not all — but helps

George Best was an introvert who tried to show himself as an extrovert — this is the odd view of former Everton and Northern Ireland manager, Billy Bingham, currently in Sydney.

Bingham was closely connected with Best and regards him as the best footballer he has ever seen.

"Pure, natural talent," says Bingham. "Few people know the other side of his character."

"He was always ready to come along and take a big interest in handicapped and retarded children."

"I could tell many stories about this facet of his nature, which goes completely unreported."

Bingham has been giving a great hand to Ku-ring-gai Association and club during a closed season visit.

He was in the Everton team that won the Football League First Division banner in 1962/3.

Between 1951, when he first appeared as a youngster against

France, and 1964 he played 56 times in Northern Ireland's colours.

In 1959 he went close to a FA Cup medal, when Luton went down 1-2 to Nottingham Forest in the Wembley final after beating them 4-1 a few weeks previously.

He worked his way through the coaching set-up from Fourth to First Division.

He was in the Irish team that defeated Italy and Portugal in the World Cup preliminaries and went to the finals in Sweden in 1958.

They defeated Czechoslovakia 1-0 and drew 1-1 with Germany.

Bingham believes that cycles contribute a lot to success in soccer.

"Sometimes the right blend comes together. Money certainly doesn't always buy success," he says.

His career is greatly influenced by Sir Walter Winterbottom, the man who set up the English coaching scheme.

He was glad to see England get a blend of "British push" and the insights of the Continental approach.

"The public wants spectacle and goals, and clubs are now much more flexible and work more on techniques," Bingham believes.

He had two years as coach of the Greek national team.

"We were due to play Italy, and I was called in front of the Greek Minister for Sport," he recounts.

"We must win, and you can tell the team that 30,000 drachmas are there if they do," I was told.

"I pointed out the strength of Italian football, but I had my instructions."

"Just before the kick-off I told the team of what their reward would be for a win, and they went out and held Italy to 1-1 at halftime."

"The Minister grabbed me on the way to the dressing room, and told me it would be now 60,000 drachmas."

"I thought of what my halftime message should be."

"'60,000 drachmas' I said. 'Hurrah!' they chanted."

"They went out and beat Italy 2-1!"

NSW TABLES

PEPSI STATE LEAGUE

GRADE 1

W	D	L	F	A	P
Croatia	9	4	—	32	13
Monaro	7	4	2	32	19
Melita	6	5	2	21	13
Avala	7	1	5	24	22
Sutherland	5	4	4	24	15
Auburn	5	3	5	24	25
Mv. Olympic	5	3	5	14	19
Toongabbie	4	4	5	20	21
Ku-ring-gai	3	6	4	16	22
Parramatta	6	—	7	14	25
Bankstown	4	3	6	13	15
Arncliffe	3	3	6	13	23
Manly	3	2	8	11	18
Yugal	2	2	9	10	25

GRADE 2

W	D	L	F	A	P
Sutherland	9	2	1	29	5
Bankstown	7	3	3	21	16
Croatia	7	2	4	21	16
Toongabbie	6	3	4	17	17
Arncliffe	4	6	2	18	14
Manly	4	6	3	14	10
Melita	4	5	4	18	15
Parramatta	4	5	4	11	9
Auburn	5	3	5	21	20
Mv. Olympic	4	4	5	16	22
Monaro	3	5	5	12	15
Ku-ring-gai	2	5	6	14	20
Avala	4	1	7	13	23
Yugal	—	2	10	3	29

GRADE 3

W	D	L	F	A	P
Manly	9	1	2	45	8
Ku-ring-gai	7	3	2	24	8
Auburn	7	3	2	26	12
Bankstown	6	5	1	19	14
Parramatta	7	2	3	23	12
Sutherland	6	3	2	18	7
Toongabbie	5	4	3	16	12
Arncliffe	4	1	6	11	15
Mv. Olympic	3	1	8	10	34
Avala	2	2	7	14	31
Yugal	1	4	6	9	30
Melita	—	5	7	13	32
Croatia	1	2	8	11	23

DIVISION 1, GRADE 1

W	D	L	F	A	P
St. George	12	2	2	44	12
Wollongong	9	5	1	26	17
Syd. City	10	1	4	36	18
Polonia	9	2	2	34	15
Uni. NSW	7	4	5	33	23
Nepean	8	1	6	37	17
Revesby	6	4	6	30	24
Nth. Sydney	5	5	4	13	12
Belmore	4	6	5	16	25
Syd. Olympic	4	4	8	22	33
Apia	5	2	8	21	32
Warringah	4	3	9	17	36
Marconi	4	1	11	28	35
Blacktown	2	4	9	19	40
Queens Pk.	1	4	10	13	39

DIVISION 1, GRADE 2

W	D	L	F	A	P
St. George	9	4	3	37	18
Belmore	9	4	2	36	12
Revesby	10	2	4	29	21
Marconi	9	3	4	29	21
Syd. City	8	4	2	23	11
Wollongong	8	4	4	37	29
Nepean	6	6	4	34	28
Un. NSW	6	4	6	30	26
Apia	5	6	3	21	17
Nth. Sydney	7	—	7	24	25
Blacktown	5	1	8	22	34
Warringah	4	3	8	20	38
Syd. Olympic	3	3	10	10	24
Queens Pk.	1	2	12	14	43
Polonia	—	3	10	10	24

DIVISION 1, GRADE 3

W	D	L	F	A	P
Marconi	14	2	1	39	14
Syd. Olympic	12	3	1	51	17
St. George	10	2	4	61	13
Apia	9	4	1	38	11
Revesby	10	2	4	31	15
Nepean	9	3	4	33	26
Syd. City	5	5	4	24	18
Belmore	6	3	6	30	32
Wollongong	5	3	8	23	36
Nth. Sydney	4	4	6	19	19
Warringah	5	1	10	17	41
Blacktown	3	4	8	20	35
Un. NSW	2	2	11	18	37
Queens Pk.	1	1	13	12	50
Polonia	—	2	14	7	31

DIVISION 2, GRADE 1

W	D	L	F	A	P
G'ville Ravens	8	4	1	23	9
B'ham Hills	7	3	2	26	12
Bathurst '75	7	3	3	21	12
Lethbridge R.	7	3	3	23	19
G'ville Horns	5	5	3	12	15
M'ville	5	4	3	19	15
Yagoona	6	2	5	18	24
Dee Why	2	5	5	15	17
Lane Cove	3	3	6	11	18
Port Hacking	3	2	8	18	25
G'ford County	2	3	8	19	27
West Ryde	2	1	10	10	30

DIVISION 2, GRADE 3

W	D	L	F	A	P
G'ville Ravens	11	1	1	42	6
G'ford County	9	2	2	29	13
L'bridge R.	9	1	3	36	17
G'ville Horns	8	1	4	27	13
B'ham Hills	8	1	3	22	12
Dee Why	5	2	5	26	21
Port Hack.	5	1	7	17	20
Yagoona	4	2	7	14	27
Lane Cove	4	1	7	17	25
Bathurst '75	3	2	8	19	32
West Ryde	3	—	10	17	42
Marrickville	—	2	10	16	54

DIVISION 2, GRADE 3

W	D	L	F	A	P
G'ville Horns	10	1	2	25	4
Port Hack.	8	1	4	34	16
Dee Why	6	4	2	21	11
Lane Cove	5	5	2	18	16
L'bridge Rangers	4	5	4	12	15
G'ville R.	4	4	5	16	20
Bathurst '75	3	5	5	15	14
G'ford County	5	1	7	19	20
B'ham Hills	4	3	5	18	21
Yagoona	3	3	7	9	30
M'ville	2	4	6	11	17
West Ryde	2	4	7	15	29

DIVISION 3, GRADE 1

W	D	L	F	A	P
Ashcroft	8	3	2	29	9
Nth. B'town	8	3	2	29	13
Bonnyrigg	6	5	1	34	15
C'belltown	7	1	5	29	15
Kingsford	6	3	4	32	15
Artamon	5	4	3	21	17
Bondi	5	3	5	19	23
Riverstone	5	1	7	21	27
Wenty	4	2	7	21	29
Hurstville	3	4	6	21	34
Syd. Uni.	4	0	9	20	31
Ryde Dist.	1	1	11	8	42

DIVISION 3, GRADE 2

W	D	L	F	A	P
Campbelltown	8	4	1	28	9
Bondi	7	3	3	27	17
Nth. B'town	7	1	5	21	15
Ashcroft	7	1	5	25	21
Artamon	6	2	4	27	16
Bonnyrigg	5	3	4	18	18
Syd. Uni.	5	2	6	19	19
Ryde Dist.	5	2	6	24	25
Riverstone	5	2	6	24	29
Kingsford	4	1	8	24	31
Hurstville	3	2	8	15	36
Wenty	2	3	8	15	27

DIVISION 4, GRADE 1

W	D	L	F	A	P
Nth. Ryde	8	4	0	29	10
Namatjira	7	5	0	29	9
Paddington	6	2	4	28	20
Padstow	6	2	4	26	20
Eastwood	5	4	3	23	19
West. Holr.	5	2	4	21	18
Fairfield	4	3	4	24	22
Chelsea	3	4	5	13	15
Holroyd	4	2	6	19	25
Maroubra	4	1	7	18	29
Nth. Rocks	1	3	7	9	32
Revesby	0	2	9	10	30

DIVISION 4, GRADE 2

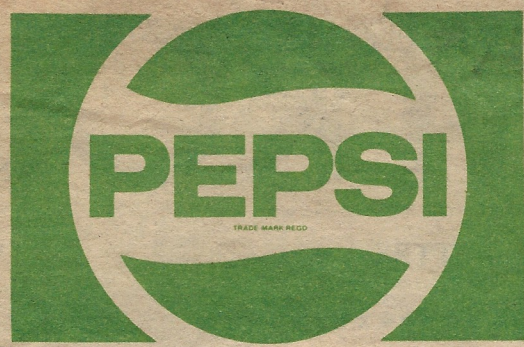
W	D	L	F	A	P
Padstow	10	2	0	32	9
W. Holroyd	6	3	2	19	15
Namatjira	6	2	4	21	13
Paddington	5	4	3	19	13
Chelsea	6	1	5	18	14
Eastwood	5	2	5	15	20
Nth. Ryde	5	1	6	14	19
Nth. Rocks	3	4	4	20	21
Maroubra	4	0	8	13	20
Fairfield	3	2	5	14	21
Holroyd	2	3	7	9	22
Revesby	2	0	8	9	18

DIVISION 5, GRADE 1

W	D	L	F	A	P
Canley Hts.	8	3	1	24	11
West. St. Geo.	5	3	4	25	20
Maccabi	4	4	2	20	10
Haberfield	5	2	3	24	19
Pagewood	6	0	6	27	29
Camden	4	4	4	17	24
Macqu. Uni.	5	1	5	27	24
F'field West	5	1	5	18	19
Concordia	4	3	5	18	20
Edensor Park	3	2	5	20	25
Hawkesbury	3	2	7	19	26
Auburn Jun.	3	1	8	16	28

DIVISION 5, GRADE 2

DIVISION 3, GRADE 2					
Maccabi	7	3	1	26	11
Haberfield	7	3	1	22	8
W. St. Geo.	8	0	4	21	16
Canley Hts.	6	2	3	20	11
F'field West	6	2	2	18	10
Edensor Pk.	5	3	4	19	19
Macqu. Uni.	5	2	4	22	18
Auburn Jn	4	3	5	20	24
Pagewood	3	2	7	14	20
Concordia	3	1	8	12	23
Camden	2	2	8	12	26
Hwksbury	0	3	0	8	27



PEPSI STATE SOCCER CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

Written by Stephen Dettre

ARNCLIFFE



Andy Tracey is a striker who has been well known as a danger man for many years, and fully displayed his wares with Auburn in 1977 when they caused a minor sensation in the final-four play off series.

Andy is 28 years old, and was born in Scotland.

He arrived here when he was 19 and joined Auburn.

In Scotland he had played for Dunfermline Athletic, and has represented Scotland at youth level, also playing for his county at that level.

In Australia he has played for only two clubs prior to Scots.

From Auburn he transferred to Hakoah, and after a few years there transferred back to Auburn.

Last year Andy scored eight goals, and the club hopes he can improve on that for Scots.

He lists as his favourite player overseas Kenny Dalglish, while his favourite Australian player is Atti Abonyi.

Not surprisingly his favourite Scottish team is Celtic, while Scots get the nod in Australia.

Andy is married, and says that his former coach and present day soccer scribe Tommy Anderson had the biggest influence in his career.

Andy likes movies, good food and the occasional flutter on the horses, and works as a blender for Rothmans.

AUBURN

"It looks fairly likely that Terry Bertram may be returning to Australia," said Auburn president Ron Bowman.

"Naturally he would return to our club, and his addition would be a great boost to us all.

"Terry returned home to England some time ago, and it looked possible that he went back for good.

"But circumstances change, and from what we have heard Terry is considering coming out again.

"We will have to check about visas and the like, but there shouldn't be any problems in that department," Ron added.

"Last week we sold Bobby Hogg to Ku-ring-gai. Bobby had been a bit unsettled within the club, and hadn't been able to command a regular first team place for one reason or another.

"He then asked for a transfer, and we felt his case warranted approval," Ron said.

"We still have some old hands on deck such as Hamilton and MacDonald, and combined with such young talent as Brett Woods, I look forward to the rest of the season," Ron added.



Undoubtedly the surprise team of the competition this year has been Avala.

Nobody really rated the side, except for perhaps the club officials, but even they looked towards a top four position as only a slim chance. Not now, though.

Now they are determined that they will play in the final four series, and go flat out to take the coveted trophy.

Their side is not really a star-studded one, unlike their highly placed fellow teams who have stars such as Abonyi, Kovacic, Farrugia, Giampaolo, Valeri and Hall.

Avala has based its side on a blend of experienced players and young talent.

Coach Alec Gray, who is himself playing in the midfield, and former St. George striker Zoran Djuricic are the guardians over a flock of young stars such as Williams, the Griffiths boys and Bateman, who have not grabbed the limelight as yet.

Club officials hope, and most believe, that the chances of the team making the top four are very good, as the side is very well balanced overall.

From the defence right up to the attack the team has a good understanding, and as the results have proven, their high position is not just the result of some lucky breaks.



The Rootsey family is almost as synonymous with Bankstown as is a soccer ball.

Of the present generation three brothers have played with the club, or are playing with 'Town' now.

Ken Rootsey is the striker in the family, and has had a varied career in soccer.

Ken started playing for Bankstown in the representative age groups from under 9 to under 13, before being snapped up by Marconi and playing in their under 16 and third grade sides.

He then returned to Bankstown in 1971 to play for the 'Town's' third grade side, but then he gained his HSC and went to University.

That was the start of a profitable five-year spell for Ken and the University of New South Wales side, for which Ken began to play.

While at University Ken studied engineering, and at the end of last year graduated as a civil engineer.

With his graduation Ken decided to return to his first club Bankstown, and so the Uni team lost a great goalscorer.

While at Uni, Ken gained some representative honours, playing for the Australian University side against the touring West German, Berlin University team, which made two visits in 1975 and 1976.

He was also awarded a coveted University 'Blue' in 1976 for his performances for the University soccer team.

Ken rates his father, Victor, as having the biggest influence on his career, and lists as his ambitions to continue playing soccer as long as possible, and to set up an engineering business with his two brothers Ray and Chris.

Ken stands 6'2", and weighs in at 12½ stone and is 25 years old.

CROATIA

Two big events are coming up soon on the Croatia social calendar.

The first, this Saturday, is the Annual Ball, to be held at the King Tomislav Croatian Club,

Edensor Park.

This is the big gathering that a lot of people within the Croatian community look forward to, and organizers hope that there will be a large turnout on Saturday evening.

The other function, or event, is the Miss Croatia Contest.

This is run to raise funds for the Croatia club, and there are two categories: the straight out "beauty contest", and a fund raising competition to see which girl can raise the most money.

All applicants should contact the Croatia club or the club secretary Peter Lukunic on 631 2765.

The Croatian club is now more and more identifying itself with the King Tomislav Croatian Club, preparing the way for next year when Croatia will hopefully play all its home games at Edensor Park.

Last week's draw against Monaro meant that Croatia maintained the four-point gap over their rivals, as well as maintaining their unbeaten record in the league so far this season.

One wonders whether they will continue the run. The Croatia officials, fans and players are all optimistic about their chances of doing so.



"We have done very well so far with the basically young side, so I am looking forward to our prospects with the addition of some experienced players," said Ku-ring-gai coach Frank Malone.

"The young boys, with a few 'oldies' have caused some great upsets.

"Now, we will have two more experienced players to add to the line up.

"Bobby Hogg has joined us from Auburn, and Albert Kinsey has returned from an overseas trip to rejoin the squad.

"Bobby will be invaluable in midfield, and should provide a handy link man with Jimmy Heron, as they were both team mates at St. George for some years and are also close friends.

"Albert has been with Ku-ring-gai for about three years, and has had some fine games since joining us from Hakoah.

"I'm certain that with players like these, and our young stars such as Steve Ellis and Kenny Smith, Ku-ring-gai will go from strength to strength and fully establish itself within the State League, and on the North Shore," Frank added.



Originally hailing from Trinidad in the West Indies, Manly's Roger Mouttet now holds down a regular place in the first team as right back.

Roger came to Australia with his family in 1974 when he was 16, and joined a local junior team in the Manly area, Lakeside United.

He was spotted playing for that team by the Manly third grade coach John Canters and was invited along to trial with Manly.

In 1975 he was in the third grade, the next year was promoted to seconds, and then in 1978 made his first team debut for the Seaside, and has been

a regular ever since.

At school in Trinidad Roger had two sports which he played regularly, soccer and field hockey.

At one stage it was a toss up which of the two he would continue playing, and luckily for Manly, Roger chose soccer.

He is a fast, overlapping fullback who likes to get involved in the attack whenever possible, and his speed aids in his ability to recover his position.

All of Roger's family now live in Australia, in the Manly area which with its beaches reminds them somewhat of Trinidad.

However, Roger has no desire to return to the West Indies, and has made Australia his home.

He is aged only 20 and works as a storeman.

As the name implies, the family is of French origin, and Roger speaks both French and English fluently.

Manly officials feel that he has a great future with the club, and hope that he decides to remain with them for quite some time to come.

MELITA

"The general feeling within the club is that the slump is over and that we will continue to pick up more points from now on," said Melita Soccer President Emmanuel.

"Bruce Stowell has got the team firing once again, and the match against Toongabbie showed that we are back to the 'old' Melita form.

"The football was precise, fast and exciting, and, to be fair, Toongabbie played a good part in the game, providing stiff opposition.

"They are a tight unit, and all credit must go to their coach Mick Jones who has produced an entertaining team.

"Luckily for us though, we had several players who played exceptionally well.

"Brian Parker, recently back from injury, was outstanding, as was Ray Farrugia.

"In midfield we couldn't have asked for a better performance from Colin McAusland, and with these players firing, it was no real surprise that we played like our good old selves once again," Emmanuel added.



MARCO POLO CLUB QUEANBEYAN

Monaro's skilful striker Tony Morsello made a welcome return to the first team after injury.

With Monaro still firing on all cylinders — and with Heywood joining the freescoring Valeri and Giampaoli — the Queanbeyan team is hopeful of staying among the goals.

The local media is taking more and more notice of the club's progress: last week two players, Bobby Noble and Gerald Crawford were interviewed on local television news.

Monaro have also acquired a local radio station mascot: the 2CC Fox who was part of last Sunday's promotion.

The mascot, hugely appealing to the younger generation, kicked off the game against Croatia.

After their excursion to Canberra's Bruce Stadium, Monaro is returning to Sunday home

games at Marco Polo ground within a fortnight.

They are certain that with the team's good results and high placing, the crowds stay up at their present pleasingly high level.

MYOLYMPIC

Marrickville Olympic are going further ahead with their plans to make Erskineville Oval a comfortable ground for spectators and players alike.

Their major aim now is to have the floodlighting upgraded, making the ground suitable for night soccer.

At present the lights are good for training only but with the addition of more pylons and lights, conditions should be excellent.

The club is obviously looking towards next year's Ampol Cup, hoping to have their ground used.

"Much of the Cup is played too far out of the city and soccer loses quite a few spectators," secretary Lionel Brown said this week.

"People think twice before going to Garside Park and possibly don't even consider Seymour Shaw or Marconi.

"We hope Erskineville Oval will provide incentive for people to go along in greater numbers to the Cup games — and also to watch Marrickville's home matches."

P-MATTA

Parramatta City is, and has been, well known for its goalkeepers over the past two decades.

In fact one might describe the club as a 'goalkeepers factory', so profuse has been the number of top grade keepers emanating from the club.

Names such as Alan Maher, Denis Donovan, Steve Watson and Barry Hoare are just some of the present day goalies, while of the past the famous Billy Henderson is a prime example of the quality the club has produced.

And now another youngster seems likely to follow in the footsteps of his famous 'club-mates'.

Parramatta officials are now raving about the 17-year-old Ian Barker, who played last week for City in his first grade debut.

Ian was called upon as Barry Hoare is now transfer listed, and the youngster performed well.

"It was an accomplished display from one so young and inexperienced," said Parramatta official Ron Simonds.

"But he has everything going for him. He has the right height for a keeper, while his reflexes are superb.

"His family has a great Granville tradition, with his older brother Graham is also playing in the first team.

"Ian's father and grandfather also played in Granville, with Tom playing in the 1920s and 30s, and Des playing for us in the 1950s," Ron added.

"We all feel that Ian has the potential to go a long way, and he could well emulate the feats of Alan Maher and play for Australia," he said.

SUTHERLAND

"We are definitely going through a slump", said Sutherland coach John Watkiss.

"The whole first team is suffering badly because of events — brought upon themselves — of a couple of weeks ago.

"It was then that the players generally didn't commit themselves to the game.

"They took things too easy and assumed that a first team place

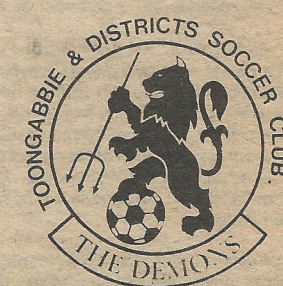
was theirs by divine right.

"Then things started going wrong, and when they tried to rally they suddenly found they had lost the edge off their form and they suffered accordingly.

"This week is a do-or-die effort for a lot of the players.

"If they don't perform this week, then I will be forced into making changes, drawing upon our second grade team which has been playing very well recently," John added.

"What we have to do now is work on the confidence of the team, and perhaps a bit of new blood may help."



Toongabbie's big problem this year has been to motivate their fans to watch the team in action.

Now with the makings of a fine stadium, the club seems set on the path to a bright future, but for the fact that the team's support hasn't grown in the past year or so.

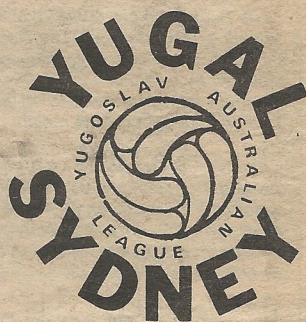
The South American contingent for a start should be enough to entice any 'amigos' along to the 'Gabbie stadium.

Pena, Ortega and Hormazabal are all fine players in the true South American fashion, plus they have added the physical aspects of the Australian game to their styles to produce some exciting soccer.

Then there are the two former Pan Hellenic team mates Jim Izzat and Dave Harding.

In recent weeks these two have been in top form, despite the club's two narrow losses, and with a bit of luck they could well lead 'Gabbie on the road back to victory.

To top it all off there is Alan Fisher and the ever-green Larry Armytage in the attack to complete a well balanced side which, under the guidance of Mick Jones, should soon start to 'click' again and win matches.



Despite recent defeats Yugal officials and players are confident that they will remain in the State League.

Last week they signed the powerful stopper Paul Coton from Sydney Olympic on loan till the end of the season.

"Paul will be a big asset as soon as he settles into the team," said this week Yugal official Mike Alagich.

"We are also negotiating with a number of other players to further strengthen the team."

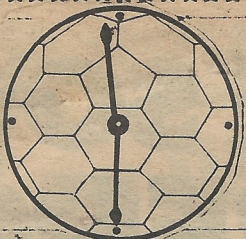
On the social front the big news is that last weekend Yugal unofficially opened their new club opposite Her Majesty's Theatre and, without any publicity drive, 30 people turned up.

There will be a dance at the club every Saturday and a disco every Friday evening.

Within a few weeks the club will be open most nights for films, indoors games and other social activities.

2 TO 6

Conducted by Val Hokin
and Emmanuel Kanna



Lethbridge Rangers (2nd div) maintained their equal second place with Baulkham Hills and Bathurst '75 by defeating Dee Why 2-1. Dee Why lead 1-0 at half time. For the Rangers, Dave Keddie equalised 12 mins after the break with Peter Lewis, the club's new signing from Nepean, scoring in the 70th minute. The Rangers' 18-year-old goalkeeper, Ian Rankin, played a magnificent game, certainly holding the points for his team late in the second half when Dee Why turned on attack after attack. This young keeper has a lot of potential and playing well enough to keep Paul Griffin, ex-Auburn, out.

Gladesville Ravens (2nd div) played two games over the weekend, firstly a disappointing 0-0 draw with Lane Cove, a game of missed chances with neither team capitalising on its opportunities. Last Monday, away to West Ryde Rovers, striker, Dennis McGrath, ex-Auburn and Granville, scored twice in the local derby. Glen Watson put away the third goal for the 3-0 result. First grade goalkeeper, Gary Richardson and Peter Taylor, second grade goalkeeper both are teammates in the off-season, played first grade cricket for the Balmain Cricket Club.

Blacktown Wanderers (6th div) completely outclassed their opponents last weekend with a 9-0 win over Lakemba and a 6-0 win over Liverpool Utd. In the Lakemba match the best goal came from defender, Tony Baldchino. In the match against Liverpool, Alan Mepstead scored a brilliant goal, almost from the corner post on the byeline. Unfortunately, Liverpool had two players sent from the field. The club would like to wish bon voyage to assistant organiser, Mr. Sultana and Mr. & Mrs. Muscat and son Tony, reserve grade defender as they leave shortly on a trip overseas.

Eastwood St. Andrews (4th div) was one of the teams who collected the full points from two games played last weekend. Against Fairfield Kiev, Eastwood finished 4-0 winners with goals scored by Greg Parkins (2) Normie White and Dick Markin. On Monday, Eastwood defeated Revesby Rovers 1-2 in a game that saw Eastwood in trouble and was saved by the brilliant performance of their goalkeeper. The two goals in this game were scored by Graham Waterhouse. Timmy Olliffe and Bruce Stewart are injured and John McIlinden is in hospital after surgery to tendons behind his left knee.

Eastern Creek Namatjira (4th div), like Nth. Ryde, the leaders, managed three points out of four, making the competition a two-horse race. With both clubs undefeated, Nth Ryde on 20 points lead Namatjira by one. In their game against Paddington, Namatjira were lucky to score the only goal in a tied game with Paddington having the better half. Against Chelsea, however, Namatjira went 2-0 up in 12 minutes when Ricky Buss was forced off injured. The game became more even and Chelsea sneaked through to make it a 2-2 final result. Namatjira's goals were scored by Steve Premitico and Ricky Kocar while Eddy Sawina in the sweeper position, had an excellent game.

Canley Heights (5th div) gained another three points over the weekend to give them a six point lead on the table. Young centre forward, Ron Wheeler is showing a ton of ability, scoring in his team's 2-2 draw against Concordia along with Robert Dalcol. With sex first graders out with injuries, coach, Bob Southgate, has still not been able to put his complete first grade on the park. The club would like to thank their many supporters at away matches.

Bonnyrigg Eagles (3rd div) scored a convincing 6-0 win against Campbelltown City. City, handicapped by injuries sustained in the Saturday game against Sydney Uni, missed Michael Durrington and Tommy Stein in the forward line. In this game against Sydney Uni, Campbelltown won 5-0 with goals scored by T. Stein (2) M. Durrington (2) and Chris Tracey. Against the Eagles, however, the game was very fast and full of excitement with the Eagles scoring at regular intervals. The Eagles scorers were E. Isaac, Martin Bazi, Ben Younan and Dony Arkhiom two goals, one a penalty and the sixth goal an 'own goal'. This result must put Bonnyrigg in contention for the top spot with Ashcroft and Nth Bankstown, who lost last weekend.

Gladesville Hornsby (2nd div) were pleased to welcome back Eddie Lorenc for his first full game this season after a long bout of illness. He celebrated by scoring a top goal after good lead up work from Cliff Greenhalge in midfield. Gladesville scored another goal from a set piece, a freekick, off Peter Marsham's left boot, both goals coming in the first half. The second half was a scrappy 45 minutes with few scoring chances created.

Bondi Marine (3rd div), after last week's heavy defeat, came back and scored a very useful win against the leaders, Ashcroft. Bondi were two goals up just a minute from the final whistle when a penalty was awarded which Andy Everett converted for Ashcroft making 1-2 the final score. Bondi's goals came from Brian Price and Billy McDonald.

Nth Rocks (4th div) chalked up their first win of the season last Monday defeating Maroubra 3-0. The Rocks' revival seems to be due to some changes in the coaching position where the regular coach has been replaced by a joint effort of trainer and team captain. Basil Jones scored two goals before he was carried off injured and Wayne Bartley scored the third and final goal of the match.

Sydney Uni (3rd div) had a mixed lot when losing 0-5 to Campbelltown City and then scoring a 6-0 win against Ryde District two days later. Uni's performance was much improved by the return to the side of Jorge Villazone, who through a knee injury and hospitalisation was forced out of the team for the last 12 months. The Uni goals were shared by Michael Halliday (3) and Jorge Villazone (3).

Maccabi (5th div) took out the Maccabi national competition last weekend competing against Western Australia and Victoria. NSW Maccabi beat Vic, Maccabi 3-0. W.A. Maccabi drew with Vic Maccabi 1-1: NSW Maccabi beat W.A. Maccabi 1-0. In their first match NSW lead 1-0 at half time with a goal from Gary Weiss. Ron Silvers scored later in the second with the goal of the match coming from D. Pollak by winning the ball from a tackle inside his own box, taking it through to shoot from 18 metres to score. In their second match against W.A. Ron Silvers scored 10 minutes from the end. Tony Schwartz, stopper for NSW was elected player of the tournament. The Maccabi reserve grade shield was also won by NSW defeating Vic. 5-2.

CLUB PATROL

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A recent team shot of Yugal. Top, from left: M. Dinic (manager), T. Schwartz (coach), R. Stofa (trainer), D. Dimitrijevic, M. Novakovic, D. Travini, T. Weiner, E. Duarte, S. Tanoski, B. Stamenkovic, C. Prgomelja. Bottom: L. Panic (gear steward), J. Morsello, R. Delaney, P. Rodas, P. Berry, S. Radovac, N. Nitya and T. Mihajlovic.

ARNCLIFFE SCOTS will have a big promotion this weekend at their home match against Melita, the theme being based on the "Year of the Child." All kids at the game will receive free entry, a bag of sweets and a balloon. Many free soccer balls will be also handed out by the Scots players with one lucky child getting a special autographed match ball. Spectato5s can also buy lucky tickets which go into a final ballot shortly for a big prize — a Commodore car. All prizes, giveaways and tickets are for both Arncliffe and Melita supporters.

Manly's second grade coach VIC LAWRIE may have to come temporarily out of retirement to play for the side he is coaching — as he is fast running out of players upon whom to call. Vic — a former Canterbury and Prague player — now only coaches, though at 29 he should still have some steam left to play second grade.

Parramatta second grader LARRY BATES will be out of action for some time with an ankle injury.

Manly's third grade has been badly hit by injuries this year. Their captain MARK EMERY is out with leg trouble as is MARK BEVERLY who has a cyst on his leg. CARL WOODS has ankle trouble, while PETER VALUE recently underwent dental surgery to correct a wisdom tooth problem.

From all reports Nick Fenoughty has quickly resettled into the Australian way of life and has been producing his best form for Croatia once again.

SUTHERLAND officials feel that their goalscoring department may have to be

strengthened if they are to have any chance of retaining the trophy they won in last year's Grand Final.

VIVE BRACKLOW returned to Melita's first team last week after a brief spell on the substitute's bench while new club signing Don Smith had a run against Avala.

A name to remember in the Auburn team is young BRETT WOODS. Brett is only 16, yet is now a regular first team member. He joined the club as an under 12

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and has rocketed up through the grades at amazing speed.

Manly second grader **MIKE SIMONS** has been sidelined through hamstring trouble.

The MELITA club is holding a Miss Melita contest this year for any girls over 15 years. Anyone interested in entering should contact either Ray Grima on 661 1606 or Victor Buttigieg on 642 8584.

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Avala keen to topple leaders

Avala's big threat to the leader Croatia comes to the fore at Arlington Oval on Sunday.

The 5-0 pasting of Yugal has set them in a challenging mood, especially as Alan Griffith has been showing the form that made him so well known with Marconi and Sutherland before joining his present club.

The team has been going well under the guidance of their player-coach Alec Gray, and is showing a lot of promise at the front where Brad Young and Branko Kodor are also excelling.

Last week both Melita and Avala edged a point closer to leaders Croatia, who still maintain a four-point margin over Inter Monaro.

Melita started last weekend a right

by handling Toongabbie, albeit narrowly.

Brian Parker, whose brilliance has too often been dimmed by injury, was at his best last week, and it is just the thing that the Eagles need in their bid for a continued high placing.

With Willie Hamilton back to his best, Auburn look strong contenders for the points when the Golds take on Toongabbie at Gabbie Stadium on Saturday.

Mick Jones tried 16-year-old John Kelly in the forwards last week, but with limited success, and his bid to find instant scorers may have to continue.

At Parklands, Ku-ring-gai and Parramatta are likely to provide a fast moving and entertaining match.

The teams are closely matched.

Bobby Wall may try another tack as using Nelson Brizuela for the late replacement is bringing only limited results.

Croatia were good enough to take an away point from Monaro last week, and their clash with Avala should produce one of the biggest crowds of the round.

They should be good enough to take the points, but only after a close tussle — hopefully peaceful on the terraces.

Bankstown coach Roger Bamforth would be delighted to have his injured men Greg Lynch and Dave Tansley back after injury for the game against Marrickville Olympic.

Defender Paul Thompson is also due to return after suspension.

Sutherland's lapse from form indicates that Inter Monaro could be the winners at Seymour Shaw.

Frank Maccarone has every reason to be pleased that the return of Ian

—By Keith Gilmour

Heywood saw the talented youngster bag two goals last week against Croatia — minutes after coming on as a replacement.

Manly against Yugal should theoretically not produce many goals, and Yugal will be without the suspended Duarte and Prgometja in what is so often a threadbare line-up.

It should be said that they often master Manly, but this may not be the case on this occasion.

Arncliffe improved their performance once again last week, but in Melita Eagles they meet a very classy side.

The fans who go to Hurstville Oval will see some worthwhile football, with Ray Farrugia, Joe Farrugia and Brian Parker showing their skills.



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YUGAL v MELITA 0-1 (0-1)

Melita made hard work of their narrow win and would have won by a bigger margin but for bad finishing up front. They had the better of the play for most of the game with Yugal seemingly lacking in ideas. Melita went close to scoring in the first 15 minutes when Colin McAusland put his 25-metre shot over the bar, then Ray Farrugia shot straight at the Yugal 'keeper. Joe Farrugia scored the all important single goal in the 25th minute when he received a pass from a freekick and his fierce 30-metre drive found the net. In the second half Tanoski shot past the post from 10 metres and Morsello fired a shot well over the bar. But it was Melita who

maintained control. Howard Hadley marshalled his defence well and had a strong game for Melita after his comeback from the injured list.

YUGAL: Berry 3, Radovac 3 (Piper 45m) Nitty 4, (Purac 70m), Prgometja 3, Coton 3, Klemperer 3, Gallifuoco 2, Tanoski 2, Delaney 3, Morsello 3, Travini 4.

MELITA: Bracklow 3, Ververis 4, Mikas 3, Yamine 3, Hadley 5, Darvill 3, J. Farrugia 3 (Gibson 65m), McAusland 2, Allan 4, R. Farrugia 4, Parker 3.

Goal: J. Farrugia (25m); **Crowd:** 960.

G. Streeter

MONARO v CROATIA 2-2 (0-1)

In a high class, entertaining game, Monaro fought back with enormous determination after being down 1-0 half time by a very well taken goal by Jelica and then 2-0 when Charles scored an own goal with a misjudged backpass to his goalie. This could have easily sealed the game for Croatia except for a high spirited Monaro. Coach Frank Macarone made two replacements and Heywood's appearance was inspired: two minutes after coming on he scored a great solo after a tremendous run and shortly after, in devastating mood, scored another brilliant goal, levelling the scoreline. From this point it was all Monaro but time was running out to get the winner. Croatia proved worthy of their undefeated status in the League as their form was outstanding.

ing. Fenoughty, Smith and Mullen were excellent while for Monaro Noble, Charles and Heywood stood out. Overall a great game which was enjoyed by the large crowd at Bruce Stadium with referee Ken Allen having an outstanding match adding to the high standard.

MONARO: Palec 4, Crawford 4, Charles 4 (Trajanoski 61m), Noble 5, Santolin 4, Falzon 4, Shaw 4, (Heywood 70m), Bourke 4, Giampaoli 4, Valeri 4, Morsello 4.

CROATIA: Watson 4, A. Kovacic 4, Mullen 4, Basic 4, Smith 4, Vidaic 4, (Cagalj 83m), Sullivan 4, Savor 4, Abonyi 4, Jelica 4, Fenoughty 5.

Goals: 0-1 Jelica (33m) 0-2 Charles (o.g., 56m) 1-2 Heywood (72m) 2-2 Heywood (80m). **Referee:** K. Allen. **Crowd:** 3500.

W. York

MELITA v T'GABBIE 1-0 (1-0)

Brian Parker made a triumphant return to the Melita line-up after a three month injury lay-off with a brilliant 30th minute goal to set the seal on the game against arch-rivals Toongabbie. After a 30-metre jinking run by Parker, Steve Ververis sent a high ball across the penalty area which Joe Farrugia stabbed back into a crowded box, where Parker was on hand to slot the ball home from close range. Many chances went begging at both ends and in the dying seconds of the game Gabbie's Peter Cuk saw his 10-metre lob drop onto the Melita crossbar when an equaliser seemed certain.

Ray Farrugia and Brian Parker were outstanding for Melita on a day on which Toongabbie could not get into top gear.

MELITA: Bracklow 3, Ververis 3, Mikas 4, Yamine 4, Hadley 4, Darvill 3, J. Farrugia 4 (Griffith 89m), McAusland 3, Allan 3, R. Farrugia 5, Parker 5.

TOONGABBIE: James 3, Cuk 3, Ankudinoff 4, Pena 3, Parkhouse 3, Hormazabal 3, Harding 3, Taylor 3, Izatt 3, Ortega 3 (Thomson 46m), Kelly 2 (Pointer 75m).

Goal: 1-0 Parker (30m); **Referee:** P. Rampley; **Crowd:** 3050.

D. Clark

KU-RING-GAI v ARNCLIFFE 2-3 (0-1)

A whirlwind start by Ku-ring-gai, which brought a Rogers save and two corners in the first minute, shook Arncliffe and gave Ku-ring-gai the confidence to attack their opponents. However, indifferent shooting let them down. Sidey changed the game around when he cleverly committed the 'keeper before lobbying the ball over him into the net. Arncliffe, who had employed a 4-4-2 formation, from here on regained their composure and when Oldham found Sidey in the clear with a long pass, the lanky striker was quick to take advantage and score a great goal from 18 metres out. The game looked all over, but Ku-ring-gai to their credit never stopped trying and forced their opponents into errors, from one of which Butler

scored an own goal. Andy Tracey scored from close range, and then Smith got Ku-ring-gai back into the game, but Arncliffe weathered the storm in a spirited finish to run out 3-2 winners.

KU-RING-GAI: Ellis 2, Robertson 3, Voudsen 4, Malone 4 (Birchall 61m), Chalmers 4, Hogg 3 (Geekie 58m), Lee 2, Hammond 3, Herron 4, Firrell 3, Smith 4.

ARNCLIFFE: Rogers 3, Butler 4, Smart 4, Butcher 3, Hall 3, Bankhead 3, Oldham 4, Hooper 3, Sidey 4, Schroeder 4 (Blackburn 78m), Tracey 4.

Goals: 0-1 Sidey (34m), 0-2 Sidey (57m), 1-2 Butler o.g. (69m), 1-3 Tracey (74m), 2-3 Smith (83m). **Referee:** R. Graham. **Crowd:** 175.

A. Henderson

AUBURN v S'LAND 1-0 (0-0)

Sutherland went down to Auburn 1-0 on a penalty arising from a foul on Bruce Tilt in the 53rd minute and which Willie Hamilton converted. The match saw neither team rise to any great heights, with Auburn perhaps improved and Sutherland, from whom one expects spark and brilliance, a disappointment to their fans. In fact the Soccer Sharks were hardly able to construct one dangerous move. They only came close to scoring once, when a strong shot from Bob Smith found the net, but the goal was disallowed for an offside by Peter Beggs.

The result was a distinct blow to Sutherland's final four hopes.

AUBURN: Gisbourne 4, Cornet 4, McCleanor 4, Fairclough 3, Woods 4, Juchniwicz 3, McDonald 3, Hamilton 5, Tilt 3 (Hoysted 85m), Montgomery 5.

SUTHERLAND: Craggs 4, Wykes 4, Hesford 3, R. Smith 2, Schumann 4, Watkiss 4, Hall 4 (Harrington 75m), Meades 4, Beggs 3, Basterfield 4, Stoddart 4.

Goal: 1-0 Hamilton pen. (53m). **Referee:** B. Fowler. **Crowd:** 438.

G De La Scerri

YUGAL v AVALA 0-5 (0-2)

Avala scored their biggest win of the season with an effortless steamroll over Yugal. Pathetic weaknesses in the Yugal defence made Avala's win amazingly easy. Both Yugal's defence and attack lacked finesse, with wild kicks the order of the day. Griffith's goal to make it 2-0 in the 31st minute was from a beautifully timed and directed drive from outside the penalty box. The other goals came largely from Yugal's defensive mistakes. Frustration became apparent in the final 15 minutes when Duarte and Prgometja were sent off for unnecessary violations. Avala's front three, Young, Kodor and Griffith

headed the enthusiastic winners.

YUGAL: Berry 2, Radovac 2, Nitya 2, Prgometja 1 (sent-off 84m), Coton 3, Duarte 1 (sent-off 81m), Delaney 4, Purac 3, Gallifuoco 4, Morsello 4 (Inacuria 45m), Tanoski 3 (Karafilovski 62m).

AVALA: Mikolajczyk 3, R. Griffith 4, Deller 4, Barton 4, Gray 3, Williams 4, Djuricic 4, Bateman 3, Young 4 (Andrews 82m), Kodor 4, A. Griffith 5.

Goals: 0-1 Young (17m), 0-2 A. Griffith (31m), 0-3 Kodor (48m), 0-4 Young (54m), 0-5 Djuricic (81m). **Referee:** B. Wilkinson. **Crowd:** 1224.

G. Bashford

THIS WEEK SYDNEY DRAWS

SECOND DIVISION
Sat.: Pt Hacking v Guildford, Seymour Shaw. **Sun.:** Baulkham Hills v Gladesville Ravens, Horwood Res; Lane Cove v Yagoona, Pottery Green; Marrickville v West Ryde, Mackey Pk; Dee Why v Bathurst, Dee Why Oval; Gladesville-Hornsby v Lethbridge, Pioneer Pk.

THIRD DIVISION
Sat.: North Bankstown v Hurstville, Potts Pk; Ryde v Wenty, Hall Pk; Bondi v Sydney University, Waverley Oval. **Sun.:** Riverstone v Artarmon, Schofield Pk; Kingsford v Campbelltown, Turrawill Pk; Ashcroft v Bonnyrigg, Stanwell Oval.

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Yugal v Avala	0-5	1-2	1-2
Melita v T'gabbie	1-0	2-3	1-1
Bankst. v P'matta	0-1	2-1	2-1
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Yugal v Melita	0-1	0-2	2-2
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Olympic v Revesby	1-0	0-3	4-0
Warringah v W'gong	1-1	1-6	1-0
St. George v Nth Syd.	2-2	4-1	0-0
Marconi v Queens Pk.	2-1	2-0	2-0
Polonia v Sydney C.	2-0	1-2	1-1
Nepean v Apia	3-0	2-2	1-1
Uni. of NSW v Belmore	6-0	0-1	1-5
Revesby v Olympic	2-2	2-0	1-2
Wollongong v Warringah	0-2	5-1	3-1
Nth. Sydney v St. George	1-0	0-3	0-6
Queens Pk. v Marconi	1-5	1-1	2-6
Sydney C. v Polonia	3-1	3-1	3-1
DIVISION 2			
West Ryde v B'ham Hills	2-3	2-1	1-2
L'bridge v Dee Why	3-1	1-1	2-1
Glades. v Lane Cove	0-0	2-1	1-3
G'ford v Yagoona	1-2	1-0	8-0
Bathurst v M'ville.	2-1	4-1	0-0
Port Hacking v Glad. Hby.	0-2	1-2	1-0
West Ryde v Glades.	0-3	0-7	3-1
DIVISION 3			
Artarmon v Kingsford	2-2	2-0	—
Campbelltown v Sydney Uni.	5-0	1-0	—
Hurstville v Riverstone	1-2	0-6	—
Wentley Waratah v Nth. Bankst.	2-1	1-2	—
Ashcroft v Bondi	1-2	0-1	—
Bonnyrigg v C'town	6-0	1-3	—
Sydney Uni. v Ryde	5-0	1-0	—

B'TOWN v P'MATTA 0-1 (0-0)

A great display of goalkeeping by Ian Barker enabled Parra. City to take both points from Bankstown. Bankstown had the slight edge in the first half, without managing to score. Parramatta opened their account in the 59th minute. It was a copybook goal. Left-winger Bruce Waldon beat the Bankstown defence and sent a high cross into the goalmouth area for David Harvey to rise high and head in a spectacular goal. Bankstown threw everything into attack, but Parramatta custodian Barker saved everything that came his way. In the 75th, 77th and 80th minutes he tipped shots over

the bar from Chris Rootsey and David Wilson (twice). For Bankstown John Lee shows some fine skills, but holds possession too long.

BANKSTOWN: Greedy 4, Rootsey 3, Beater 4, Morrison 4, Gould 3, Peck 3, Porter 3, Lee 2, Butler 2 (Quigley 73m), Daley 3, S. Wilson 3 (D. Wilson 69m).

PARRAMATTA: I. Barker 5, Self ridge 4, Bigland 3, Lackey 3, O'Maye 4, Forwood 3, Harvey 3, Barker 3, Morrow 3, G. Barker 3 (Brizuela 83m), Waldon 4.

Goal: 0-1 Harvey (59m). **Referee:** R. Sandell. **Crowd:** 409.

E. Persen

Mv. OLYMPIC v MANLY 1-0 (0-0)

Marrickville edged out Manly to win a game of squandered chances by both sides by a single goal. Manly had an early shot scrambled off the goal-line, and for Marrickville skilful Joe Ramisch made a great 30-metre run that he failed to finish off. Olympic should thank goalkeeper Ali El Zein for a sterling performance which included one brilliant save from Manly's Dudley Fox late in the game. After halftime, Manly defender George Townsend moved up with play and shaved the crossbar twice. At the 55th minute Marrickville scored the all-important goal when Ramisch fastened on to a faulty backpass by

Roger Mouttet, rounded Chris Cassettari and found the net. Manly made a late attacking rally, but they were unable to score.

MARRICKVILLE: El Zein 5, Kable 3, Wignall 4, Penman 4, Sheldrick 4, Doyle 3, Smith 3, McDonagh 3, R. Brown 3, Zeros 3 (G. Brown 74m), Ramisch 4.

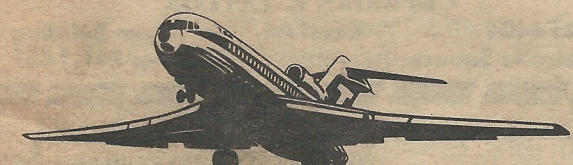
MANLY: Cassettari 3, Mouttet 4, Doyle 3, Dick 4, Townsend 4, Geoghegan 3, Jack 3, Riley 3, Chapman 3, Palamara 3 (Fox 74m), Stuart 3 (Diebold 80m).

Goal: 1-0 Ramisch (55m). **Referee:** K. Small. **Crowd:** 320.

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Liverpool were worthy winners in every way



Ian Callaghan (bottom row, second from left) with the all-conquering Liverpool in 1977.

Liverpool created a record by winning its third championship in the past four seasons.

Its magnificent points tally of 68 was also a new record for the first division.

Not only did the new champions remain undefeated at home, but they won the league title by a comfortable margin of eight points.

In its forty-two matches Liverpool conceded more than a single goal only once, against Aston Villa at Villa Park.

Aston Villa was the only club to retain its 1977/78 ranking and again finished the season in eighth position.

Of the three promoted clubs Tottenham did best by finishing 11th, while Southampton and Bolton completed the season in 14th and 17th place respectively.

Seven clubs improved on their 1977/78 placings.

Ipswich was by far the biggest improver, moving up twelve rungs, from 18th last season to a very respectable 6th in 1978/79.

Leeds and Bristol each moved up four places, from 9th to 5th and 17th to 13th.

West Bromwich Albion climbed three rungs from 6th to third, while Middlesborough moved up two from 14th to 12th.

The other two clubs to move up were Manchester United, 10th to 9th and of course Liverpool, who only moved up the one place, but it was the one that mattered most.

A total of eleven clubs took a slide down the league ladder.

The two to crash most spec-

tacularly were Manchester City, from 4th in 1977/78 to 15th and Birmingham City, who dropped 10 places from 11th to 21st in 1978/79.

Derby County moved down seven rungs, Chelsea six, while Norwich, Coventry, Wolves each dropped three places.

Arsenal, Nottingham, Everton and Queens Park Rangers were the other clubs to lose ground.

A total of 1217 goals were scored in the 462 league matches, 716 by the home teams and 501 by the visiting clubs for an average of 2.63 goals per match.

This total compares with 1231 goals scored last season and 1183 scored in 1976/77.

Of the 462 matches played 144 or 31.2% resulted in draws, 160 (34.6%) in one goal wins, 91 (19.7%) in two-goal decisions, 42 (9.1%) in three-goal margins and 17 (3.7%) in four-goal wins.

Only in 8 matches (1.7%) was the goal difference in excess of four.

Thus in 65.8% of all the matches played not more than a single goal separated the participating clubs.

Most goals, nine, were scored when Middlesborough defeated Chelsea 7-2.

The highest winning margin for the season was seven goals, when Liverpool trounced Tottenham 7-0.

Three clubs netted seven goals in a match. Apart from the two results mentioned, West Bromwich Albion defeated Coventry City with a scoreline of 7-1.

A total of 22 different results

were recorded in the 462 matches.

Eight of these were repeated more than 25 times. 1-0 was once again the most common scoreline, being recorded 83 times, followed by 1-1 (72 times), 2-1 (56), 2-0 (45), 3-1 (42), 0-0 (39), 3-0 (29) and 2-2 (28 times).

Three results repeated more than ten times were: 3-2 (18 matches), 4-1 (12) and 4-0 (11).

Six matches ended with a 5-1 score, while 3-3 was the result on five occasions, 5-0, 4-2 and 4-3 were each recorded three times, 6-0 twice, while 7-0, 7-1, 5-2, 7-2 and 5-3 were once only scorelines.

Liverpool with 85 goals proved themselves the most prolific scorers for the season, while West Bromwich Albion (72) and Leeds United (70) were the only other two clubs to reach the 70 mark.

Birmingham City netted only 37 goals and was in fact the only club that failed to average a goal per match.

Liverpool also could boast of having the best defensive record, conceding only 16 goals in the 42 league games.

Nottingham Forest was next best with 26 against. At the other end of the scale Chelsea allowed the opposition a mammoth tally of 92 goals, with Bolton (75) and Derby County (71) also weak in defence.

League champions Liverpool had by far the most impressive home record and collected 40 premiership points from its 21 matches with 19 wins and two draws.

Nottingham Forest was the

By Henry Kurczak

other club to maintain an unbeaten home record, but shared the points on 10 occasions.

Away from home three clubs were outstanding.

Liverpool, Nottingham and West Bromwich Albion each collected 28 points from their 21 matches.

The three relegated clubs, Queens Park Rangers, Birmingham City and Chelsea all failed to break even in home games and finished with 17, 19 and 11 points respectively from their 21 home matches.

Norwich City was the only club that failed to win a game away from home, but recorded 13 points from draws, while Birmingham City's three points was a very poor return from 21 away matches.

The highest scorers at home were Liverpool (51 goals), Leeds (41) and Coventry (41).

Away from home West Bromwich Albion, (34 goals), Liverpool (34) and Manchester United (31) were the only clubs to exceed the 30 goal mark.

Tottenham Hotspurs, with a total of only 19 goals, were the only club that failed to average a goal per game in home matches, while away from home Birmingham City and Bristol City each could manage only 13 goals.

Liverpool had an outstanding defensive home record in allowing the visitors only four goals in the 21 matches, with Nottingham's 10 the next best.

These two also excelled away from home, conceding 12 and 16 goals respectively.

Cosmos boss out

Eddie Firmani, who guided the New York Cosmos to two successive North American Soccer League (NASL) championships, has been fired because the club wants to hire a world-famous coach.

Firmani, the most successful coach in NASL history with a record of 92 wins against 28 defeats, was sacked two days before the world champion Argentine national team arrived for an exhibition game against Cosmos.

Helmut Schoen, who led West Germany to the 1974 world championship and retired re-

cently is considered a possibility as coach.

Cosmos officials were refusing to comment on the reports.

In their only statement so far, they said that Firmani "has been relieved of his duties effective immediately."

"This decision was arrived at because the coach and the Cosmos' board of directors could not agree on the direction the club," the statement said.

The announcement also said that Firmani's assistant, Lithuanian born Ray Klivecka, would take over as acting coach.

Hooligans checked

English soccer fans have come up with their own plan to cut out violence on football buses and trains.

Representatives of 300 supporters' clubs belonging to the National Federation of Football Supporters clubs have approved the plan, which includes cutting out alcohol and banning unauthorised trips.

"Hooliganism is in danger of destroying our national game," said president Archie Gooch.

"Greater liaison between suppor-

ters' clubs and football administration at home and abroad should be strived for. It would lead to all genuine fans being encouraged to join the supporters' clubs."

The Federation's plan says that buses should not arrive at grounds more than an hour before kick-off; should have two-way radio contact with the police; each should have two stewards; and British Rail should provide buses between the railway stations and grounds to avoid clashes.

NSW YOUTH LEAGUE

UNDER 14						Group A							
						W	D	L	F	A	P		
APIA 3, Guildford 0, Toongabbie 1, Parramatta 0, Melita 2, Sydney Olympic 2, Bankstown Bye.													
Group A													
Sydney Olympic	8	2	—	32	9	18	APIA	8	2	—	45	8	18
Bankstown*	6	—	2	26	12	12	Bankstown*	5	1	2	17	9	11
Toongabbie	6	—	3	22	15	12	Toongabbie	5	1	3	17	7	11
APIA	5	1	4	13	13	11	Sydney Olym.	3	3	4	14	14	9
Melita	3	1	6	13	19	7	Parramatta*	3	1	4	7	16	7
Parramatta*	1	1	6	8	12	3	Guildford	3	—	6	10	23	6
Guildford	—	1	8	4	37	1	Melita	—	2	8	4	37	2
*Denotes game in hand.						*Denotes game in hand.							
GROUP B						Group B							
Arncliffe 3, Lethbridge 1, Baulkham Hills 2, Auburn 2, Marconi 8, Sydney City 0, Belmore 1, Polonia 0, Lethbridge 0, Baulkham Hills 0.						Lethbridge 3, Arncliffe 0, Auburn 4, Baulkham Hills 1, Marconi 0, Sydney City 0, Polonia 7, Belmore 0, Lethbridge 4, Baulkham Hills 2.							
GROUP B						Group B							
	W	D	L	F	A	P		W	D	L	F	A	P
Marconi*	9	1	—	52	4	19	Sydney City*	8	1	1	33	9	17
Polonia*	5	1	2	24	14	13	Polonia*	7	3	—	24	3	17
							Marconi*	5	3	2	27	5	13
							Lethbridge*	5	3	2	20	13	13
							Auburn*	4	2	4	28	19	10
							Arncliffe*	2	2	6	17	19	6
							Baulkham Hills*	2	—	8	18	39	4
							Belmore*	—	—	10	2	55	0

UNDER 16
Group A
Guildford 0, APIA 0, Toongabbie 4, Parramatta 0, Melita 2, Sydney Olympic 0, Bankstown Bye.

	W	D	L	F	A	P		W	D	L	F	A	P
APIA	9	1	—	31	3	19	APIA	9	1	—	31	3	19
Guildford	4	4	1	38	11	12	Guildford	4	4	1	38	11	12
Toongabbie	5	2	2	22	19	12	Toongabbie	5	2	2	22	19	12
Melita	5	1	4	21	20	11	Melita	5	1	4	21	20	11
Syd. Olym.	4	1	5	22	26	9	Syd. Olym.	4	1	5	22	26	9
Bankstown*	—	1	7	7	24	1	Bankstown*	—	1	7	7	24	1
Parramatta*	—	—	8	3	51	—	Parramatta*	—	—	8	3	51	—
*Denotes game in hand.							Group B						
Group B							Lethbridge 3, Arncliffe 0, Auburn 2, Baulkham Hills 0, Sydney City 3, Marconi 0, Belmore 2, Polonia 0, Lethbridge 4, Baulkham Hills 0.						
Group B							Group B						
Belmore*	9	—	1	27	6	18	Belmore*	9	—	1	27	6	18
Auburn*	6	1	3	25	13	13	Auburn*	6	1	3	25	13	13
Marconi*	5	2	3	26	10	12	Marconi*	5	2	3	26	10	12
Syd. City*	4	4	2	15	13	12	Syd. City*	4	4	2	15	13	12
Lethbridge*	3	3	4	15	20	9	Lethbridge*	3	3	4	15	20	9
Polonia*	3	2	5	10	24	8	Polonia*	3	2	5	10	24	8
Arncliffe*	2	2	6	13	28	6	Arncliffe*	2	2	6	13	28	6

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